

London.

2. Savile Row

2. Aug. 1855.

My dear Le Fontaine.

Allow me to introduce to you my next door neighbour & friend Mr. George Jessel. —

DE MONTRÉAL

Mr. Jessel is one of our most rising & honorable Baristers, and a highly educated gentleman. He is visiting the States & Canada, this "Long Vacation" as he has travelled the European Continent. — I am sure that I need not bespeak for him your kindest attention & any introductions you can give him for his benefit during his short travel in the Province. —

Last week I dined at the Reform Club with Percy, Frank, & your speaker who I suppose are fair way — in Europe.

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I was much amused I did

not fall in with you
again, as you were in
transit thro' London
houses; & especially as Mr.
Ellie chaged me to
intercept you & dine with
you in Arling ton Street.
However, I hope that your
last visit of England, in
the singular vicissitude of
your public & private life,
will not be your last; &
that we may meet once
again before "Kingdom Come".
Neither you nor I are
bigots, tho' of different
professions, religions. And
we trust to our Creator,
for the Present & Future.

On British Politics, I can
tell you little in addition
to what you glean in the
Times Newspaper - with the
Spectator, the best mirrors of
European politics, of the
party contests of this
Country. - I think the
Eastern War was unavoidable,

if the Slavonic Race of 60
Millions of infra (civilized)
are to be annexed in their
progress South & East, & in
their pressure on the German
People. - We have arrested
them & diminished the
prestige of the Czars - by
safe possession of the Black &
Asiatic Seas - by saving
Constantinople & giving new
spirit to the Asiatics opposed
to their own progress. Whether
we do or do not capture
Sevastopol I cannot divine,
except that War being a
question of money - especially
in our times - I think England
& France are the larger
Capitalists - & therefore will
win that contest. But
how much depends on
the life of one Man - Louis
Napoleon - & on the versatility
of your French Mother
Country men!

- With my regards to Madam
La Fontaine, truly yours

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John Parker

2 Aug^t 1855

Joseph Parker

London

introducing Mr.
Vessey

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